

COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO  
BORREGO SPRINGS COMMUNITY SPONSOR GROUP  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
OCTOBER 6, 2011  
BORREGO SPRINGS HIGH SCHOOL COMMUNITY ROOM  
2281 DIEGUENO RD., BORREGO SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA 92004

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

- A. ROLL: The meeting was called to order at 4:34 p.m.  
PRESENT: Beltran, Haldeman, King, Shugart, & Webb  
ABSENT: None
- B. Members and those present reviewed maps and materials relative to agenda items.
- C. The minutes of the meeting held on September 15, 2011 were reviewed. A motion was made by Sam Webb to approve the minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Judy Haldeman. Vote was all ayes; motion carried.
- D. Public Communication: Students at Borrego Springs High School, members of the senior class; Ms. Cervantes, Ms. Leal, and Mr. Busic all spoke endorsing the NRG solar project. Their approval is based on the commitment by NRG to facilitate PV solar for the school district, which they state will ultimately provide more money for education by lessening utility expense. Patricia Torres, member of the BSUSD Board of Directors spoke endorsing the NRG solar project. Dr. Carmen Garcia gave her endorsement for NRG claiming representation of 500 parents and students. She is hopeful that with solar, the school district can see a savings of up to \$200,000.00 a year in utilities. Chuck King, Borrego Springs resident, parent, and Supervisor of Information Systems at BSUSD also spoke in favor of approving the NRG project.
- E. Correspondence: King reviewed the following correspondence  
Final Planning Report and appeal of the Planning Commission to approve NRG Solar.  
  
Notice from the County of San Diego that the Borrego Springs Community Sponsor Group has been reduced from nine (9) seats to seven (7) seats.

King reported that three total applications have been received from individuals wishing to be seated on the BSCSG.

- F. Schedule and/or reports of subcommittees and meetings:  
Haldeman gave a report on the Park Committee progress. There have been discussions regarding the community trails and the pocket parks. A meeting is scheduled with the Borrego Water District and an ad-hoc committee is forming. The meeting with BWD is scheduled on 10/12/11. Sam Webb suggested an astronomy component be added to the park model. Haldeman confirmed that this has been suggested and been added.

## ACTION ITEMS

1. Borrego 1 Solar: APN 140-290-12-00. Application for Major Use Permit 300-10-026 (P10-026)  
Located on the southwest corner of Henderson Canyon Rd. and Borrego Valley Rd.  
Unmanned photovoltaic solar farm of approximately 300 acres.

Keith Latham gave a presentation on the 26 mega-watt project. The company is committed to partnering with the BSUSD to provide solar at district school facilities. He explained that there is no decision yet as to whether the system will be a fixed tilt or a single axis tracker system. The plan is for once approved, to commence construction by year-end 2011. The project should be operational by September 2012. The perimeter fencing has not yet been determined.

A motion was made by Judy Haldeman to approve the application for the Major Use Permit as applied for by Borrego 1 Solar. The motion was seconded by Sam Webb. Vote was four ayes/one nay. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 5:01 p.m.